

DOCKET NO. VTN-0388

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Susan K. Brown-Skrobot et al.

Serial No.: 09/259,758

Art Unit: 1744

Filed : March 1, 1999

Examiner: Chorbaji, M. R.

For : METHOD OF STERILIZATION

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to:
(703) 305-3599 on

May 6, 2003

(Date of Deposit)

Anne B. Kiernan

(Name of applicant, assignee, or Registered Representative)


(Signature)May 6, 2003

(Date of Signature)

Commissioner For Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

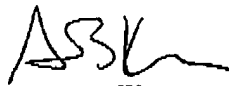
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
AND AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE
DEPOSIT ACCOUNT THEREFOR

Dear Sir:

Applicant(s) petition(s) the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated November 6, 2002 for two(2) month(s) from March 6, 2003 to May 6, 2003. An Amendment responding to the aforesaid Office Action is being filed concurrently herewith.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 10-0750/VTN-0388/AK in the name of Johnson & Johnson for the cost of filing this Petition. Three copies of this Petition are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,


Anne B. Kiernan
Reg. No. 36,566
Attorney for Applicant(s)

Johnson & Johnson
One Johnson & Johnson Plaza
New Brunswick, NJ 08933-7003
(732) 524-2724
DATE: May 6, 2003

OFFICIAL

GROUP 1700

MAY 07 2003

#23

05/08/2003 HSH1TH1 00000003 100750 09259758

01 FC:1252 410.00 CH